(Washington, D.C.) - The House of Representatives passed a resolution introduced by Congressman Tim Ryan (D-Ohio) Thursday evening which expresses support for an Irish-American Heritage Month.

" Nearly 44 million Americans celebrate Irish origins, and with good cause, " said Congressman Ryan. " From the earliest stages of our nation's history, Irish-Americans have toiled to contribute to many aspects of American life, including industry, agriculture, science, education and the arts. I'm pleased that my House colleagues voted to honor Irish-Americans and their contributions to our nation's heritage. "